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My dear Mrs. Driscoll,

I have just finished signing up my card of registry for service in the war. The University as I understand it has offered its entire equipment and each member of the staff is asked to say what he will do. I have put down -

1. Teaching in the Medical School
2. Working in a clinical laboratory
3. Making supplies & dressings
4. Cooking -

I put down that I had had

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training as a physician and
a chatter and could speak
German - Ouch, I should hate
to be sent to Germany as a
spy - I said ^{to ensure} that I should
be afraid that I should
tell against the Germans -
and the reply was - I
should only need to look -
The Hopkins will be made
a base hospital and I
think that the laboratory -
may be used for teaching
part of the time and for

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Making serums and supplies
the rest of the time.

I have gotten over thinking
that the end is in sight -
One of our men who has
just come back from
England says that the
English have become so
efficient that they don't
need us -

I am enclosing a
form by one of the

Most distinguished of the
English doctors, a neurologist,
which seems to me quite
thrilling. He has probably
given us one very best
analysis of the sensory side
of the nervous system and
has done a lot of medical
work in the war, and this
was probably written in one
of his days of respite from
the terrible strain. This
makes New York Times has
a very fine account for

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the medical standpoint of the
nervous system of the ear.

A letter from Carla sounds as
if everything was really all right
out there. I was sorry that I told you
about Edith - for it seems that
it wasn't anything serious -
I was myself much worried
over what May had written -
Carla's letter would make me
long to go to California to see
the roses if we weren't having
such exciting times right here.

The Kiama is a beauty -
It was a great surprise, I
couldn't imagine what she
was that I found on the

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Starts me day. If the Mexicans
and Germans don't march right-
through this summer - what
good times we shall have -
unless the last two lines
I heard from come true for
us - The German retreat is very
puzzling - I feared that they
might have mined the
whole zone - but every one here
says that it - would be too
expensive -

Mr. Florence Kelly has just been
here - She says that Baker
the - Secretary of War is an
ardent pacifist - and Dr. Wood
says that her bankrupted Cleveland

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So it may be well if he
resigns.

Dr. Lundy is going to China
with the new Rockefeller
Medical School - He is the
Canadian who has been
assisting me & whom we
were talking - It's a fine
opportunity for him and we
are all glad for him - Our
staff will probably be cut
down one half next year -

I wish that you were here
now to hear all the discussion
about the war -

Very affectionately -

Flora Sabin